

JANESVILLE, Jan. 29.—If you know, will you be kind enough to inform a subscriber, what sort of an elephant the State has taken in accepting the Washburn property, near Madison, (significant name) to be used as a "school for indigent boys." Is it not enough that tax-payers support free schools in every school district in the State, that in large towns free grammar schools and high schools are furnished, and that in Madison alone, there is already a free State University? Where, then, is there the need for this new institution? Is it right that the tax-payers should furnish board and lodging as well as free tuition, and do you think railroad fare to and from the school will be made free? Can not something be done to head off this new school, or is it too late?

Our correspondent probably understands five points: (1) that the Edgewood property was too much of a good thing for a private residence; (2) that it could never be utilized as a home by ex-Governor Washburn; (3) that it could never be sold for a respectable price; (4) that no man in Madison could afford to own it and keep it in repair; (5) that Washburn found it cheaper to give it away than to keep it. It would not be a fair thing to impugn the motive of Mr. Washburn in giving this property to the State. He did not want it for the simple reason that he had no use for it, and therefore supposed the State might make good use of it by converting it into an Industrial School for Girls, and a year ago tendered the property to the State for that purpose. A thorough investigation was made at the time by our Senator Richardson and others, and it was found that the State did not need, or at least that it would not be justified in supporting, an Industrial School for Girls, and therefore the offer made by Mr. Washburn was rejected. In Governor Smith's annual message, he discusses the question of establishing a school for indigent children. He suggested that this was needed for the reason that over 100 boys found their way to the Industrial School because they were poor and had no homes. They had committed no crimes, were not incorrigible, but were dependent, and to save them from going to the poor houses, they were sentenced to serve in the Industrial School. Governor Smith suggested the propriety of accepting the Washburn property and make it a home for these indigent boys. This has been done. How much it will cost can hardly be told. To a certain extent the building must be remodeled. The grounds must be kept in good shape. Officers must be appointed to manage the new institution. Appropriations must be made to meet the expenses. All told, several thousand dollars a year will be required. These are the facts in the case, and our correspondent who has a just regard for the interest of the State and its institutions, as well as for the tax-payers, must appeal to his own judgment as to the propriety of accepting the Edgewood property for the purposes we have stated. It is too late now to remonstrate—the title of the property is in the State of Wisconsin.

THE REPORT OF THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONER.
Hon. A. J. Turner, Railway Commissioner of Wisconsin, has made his first annual report, which is the fifth report under the Commission system. To say that it is the best work of the kind which has ever been issued in this State, would be an insufficient commendation for so valuable a report. It contains statistical and historical matter which have never before appeared in print, and therefore can not fail to be a most valuable work of reference. A few days ago we published from this report some interesting facts regarding the railways in Wisconsin, which are hardly necessary to republish in full. The number of miles of road in the State is 2,834, and there were built during the year 1878, 91 miles. The cost of all the roads, which is somewhat difficult to estimate, is put down at 180 millions of dollars, making an average of over \$64,000 per mile. The total debt of the roads, funded and unfunded, is \$91,678, 199. The gross earnings of the roads are a little over 26 million dollars, for 1878, of which \$11,951,619 is apportioned to Wisconsin on the basis of miles of road within the State, compared to the whole, which is an increase for Wisconsin of nearly 2 million dollars over 1877. The total earnings and operating expenses of the roads from 1870 to 1877 both inclusive are as follows:

Earnings.....\$180,964,428 20
Expenses.....115,403,583 81
Excess of earnings.....\$65,560,844 39
The amount of aid to railways in bonds or otherwise, by towns, cities, villages and counties, outstanding on the 1st of January, 1878, as returned, was \$4,723,180.84. On this subject Commissioner Turner remarks: "I believe that in about every instance where county aid has been voted, the result has been fruitful of litigation, overburdensome to the people, unequal in its results, and has created a feeling of dissatisfaction and unrest that checks enterprise and is positively vicious in all of its effects. In my judgment, all laws authorizing counties to aid railroad enterprises ought to be repealed."

As to the management of the railways in Wisconsin, Mr. Turner says: "The management of the roads in this State is excelled by none in this country. The track and equipment of the main lines are equal to the best of the old roads at the East, and in the luxurious elegance and convenience of the common coaches, they excel all others of which I have any knowledge. The courteous treatment travelers receive from the employees is deserving of the highest commendation, and the safety assured them demonstrates that the management of the roads is in the hands of men who are keenly alive to the duties of their responsible positions."

One of the features of Mr. Turner's report which will command general interest, and which deserves the highest praise, is the history of all the railways in the State from the time the first rail was laid in 1849, to the present time. These histories are very important, and it is the first time they have

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THE NEWS.

Marshal McMahon Resigns the Presidency of the French Republic.

Which Causes Considerable Excitement in Paris.

And M. Grevy is Elected President by the Joint Convention.

General Sherman Visits Atlanta for the First Time Since the War.

Terrific Explosion of a Locomotive at Elmira, New York.

Interesting Statistics Regarding Our Exports and Imports.

The Balance of Trade is the Largest Ever Known in Our Favor.

Why Senator Christlacy Accepts the Mission to Peru.

Success of the Exhibition of American Manufactures in Mexico.

An Attempt at Suicide by a Female School Teacher in Milwaukee.

Interesting Items in Our Special Dispatches.

MARKETS.

Special to the Gazette.
CHICAGO, Jan. 30.—No. 2 spring wheat; cash 86 cents; February, 86 1/2 cents; March, 87 1/2 cents; No. 3 spring wheat, cash, at 79 1/2 cents.
CORN—No. 2, cash, 31 cents; February, 31 1/2 cents; March 31 1/2 cents.
BARLEY—Extra No. 3 cash, 44 1/2 cents.

FRANCE.

Resignation of McMahon—M. Grevy Elected—Other Important Items from Fickle France.

Special to the Gazette.
PARIS, Jan. 30.—The resignation of President McMahon was officially announced this morning. It caused a slight panic on Bourse, but prices afterwards recovered. The Deputies and Senators will assemble in joint session at Versailles to elect a President.

PARIS, January 30.—It is announced that Dufaure intends to resign, and will probably be succeeded by Gambetta. Count De Harcourt, the French Ambassador to the Holy See, has resigned. It is reported that Grevy will be McMahon's successor.

LATER
Paris, January 30.—M. Grevy has been elected President of the French Republic by the joint session of the Chambers.

NEW ORLEANS.

Special to the Gazette.
NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 30.—Rev. John Henry Ducahet has been elected Bishop of Louisiana.

A BIG BLAZE.

Special to the Gazette.
CLEVELAND, Jan. 29.—Heppy & Co's. planing mill was burned this morning. The loss is estimated to reach at least \$50,000. Six persons were severely injured by a falling wall.

SHERMAN AT ATLANTA.

Special to the Gazette.
ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 30.—General Sherman is here for the first time since the war. He has accepted the invitation of many friends to attend a ball to-night. He will leave for Savannah.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

Special to the Gazette.
ELMIRA, N. Y., Jan. 30.—A new locomotive while making a trial trip to-day on the Olean, Bradford and Warren railway, exploded its boiler, killing the engineer, fireman, and four others. The engineer was torn to pieces, and blown eight miles.

FAILURES.

Special to the Gazette.
LONDON, Jan. 30.—Doyce, Nichols, & Co. have failed for seventy thousand pounds, and Hardy & Co. for two hundred and sixty-five thousand pounds.
LIVERPOOL, Jan. 30.—Hugh Shepard, merchant, has failed with liabilities of eight hundred and fifty thousand pounds.

MEXICO.

The Latest from the Industrial Deposition at the Capital.

CITY OF MEXICO, Mexico, Jan. 26, via Brownsville, Texas, Jan. 29.—The Industrial Deposition from the United States all continue well, and consider their mission much more successful than was even hoped for when they left home. The exhibition of American products and manufactures continues to attract the attention of the Mexican merchants and the people generally. The mercantile commissioners from the various Mexican States are making their reports.

Every courtesy is shown the members of the American deputation. We had an excursion to the suburbs to-day, and the

National Loan Office will be visited to-morrow. Expeditions are preparing for Popocatepetl, Cuernavaca, and Pachuca, and the question is which to take.

CHRISTIANCY.

The Continual Poor Health Compels the Senator to Go Abroad.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—It is not certain whether Christianity will resign his seat in the Senate now or wait until the end of the session. Before leaving for Michigan last night he denied the statement that his acceptance of a foreign mission is the result of an arrangement with the friends of Zach Chandler. Christianity said he first determined to retire from the Senate last June, when his health became so seriously impaired that he was uncertain whether he could ever again attend to his Senatorial duties. He informed the President of his physical condition, and expressed a wish to go abroad, thinking a change of climate might benefit him. The President informed Senator Christianity that he could have any foreign mission that was vacant, and asked him to take his choice.

Christianity subsequently recovered his strength somewhat, and abandoned the idea of resigning. Recently, however, his physical ailments have returned, and he has been daily growing weaker.

BALANCE OF TRADE.

Interesting Statistics Regarding Our Exports and Imports.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The compilation by the Bureau of Statistics of reports of exports from an imports into the United States for the calendar year 1878, shows that the balance of trade was \$304,542,571 in favor of this country, as against a balance of \$140,056,112 for the calendar year 1877. This is the largest balance in our favor that has ever been known, and the increase from 1877 was much greater than the increase from 1876. The balance in our favor for the first six months of the current fiscal year from July to December is \$148,888,006, as against a balance of \$102,159,699 for the corresponding months of 1877. This indicates the rapidity with which the commerce of the country is growing.

The above statements refer only to shipments of merchandise. There has been a steady flow of gold into this country during the year which has just closed, the reports showing that \$1,974,173 more gold was imported than was exported, while in 1877 the exports of gold exceeded the imports by nearly \$25,000,000. During the last six months there were nearly \$3,000,000 more gold imported than exported. The returns for the corresponding months of 1877, show that shipments were just the other way to similar amount.

A SENSATION.

Created in Milwaukee School Circles by One of the Female Teachers Attempting Suicide.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 29.—There was quite a sensation in school circles to-day, when it was learned that Jennie Fowler, formerly a teacher in the Tenth District School, had attempted suicide on account of unfortunate relations with a banker at Ozaucsee, in this State. The act developed facts extremely surprising to her friends. Last evening she visited the office of District Attorney McKenney concerning the banker's refusal to marry her, and when she was told that no legal redress could be had, she left her money and jewelry in his hands. This evening she returned to her home, and her friends were at once warned. On the way to a hotel, she purchased two ounces of laudanum, part of which she administered to herself on retiring to her room. Friends discovered where she had lodged and rushed her home to make medical aid available. To her legal counsel she stated that her parents reside near Albany, N. Y., and that she for a time lived in the family of James W. Vail, a banker at Ozaucsee. When the latter became a widower he seduced her. In settlement of this affair she received five thousand dollars. Since then he came to Milwaukee, and renewed the relation under promise of marriage. His refusal to make her his wife led to the call for advice, and the attempt at suicide. Since she left the position of teacher at the public school, she has traveled through the State as an elocutionist, and won a wide acquaintance. Though rescued from death her situation is still very critical.

Articles of Association.

Articles of Association have been filed in the Secretary of State's office by the following corporations:

O. J. Kershaw, D. Vance, A. A. S. Smith, Winfield Smith, Chas. H. Haskins, Henry S. Smith, Guido Pfister and B. B. Hopkins, of Milwaukee, as the Automotive Signal Telegraph Company of Wisconsin; business, telegraphing, within the State; headquarters, Milwaukee; capital stock, \$25,000.

Amended articles of the Milwaukee Popular Science Society; O. W. Wight, M. D., as President, and G. A. Stark, M. D., as Secretary.

Bernard Stern, C. Freischmied, P. L. Dohner, Jacob E. Singer, Adolph Meisner, L. Tewles, G. Bassett, D. C. Luening, Emil Schandem, Robert C. Spencer, Emil Walbur and W. W. Coleman, of Milwaukee, as the Wisconsin Phonological Institute for Deaf Mutes; for the establishment and maintenance of an institute for the establishment and maintenance of an institute for instructing deaf mutes, by the articulate method, in the city of Milwaukee; no capital stock.

P. B. Peters, F. M. Schmidt, George Pulham, and Thomas Tenney, of Vernon county, as Vernon Lodge, No. 34, A. O. U. W.

E. P. Matthews, Alonzo R. Matthews and Ludwig Koehler, of Milwaukee, as The Matthews' Brothers' Furniture Company; for the manufacture, purchase and sale of furniture; location, city of Milwaukee; capital stock, \$110,000.

Gen. Mite Snubs the President.

Washington Special to Cleveland Leader.
Here is the unkindest cut his Excellency has received yet. On Friday the Midgents, now on exhibition here, were to have called on the President, but it seems their manager made the engagement without consulting them, and when he came to take them to the White House, General Mite and his wife both got "on their feet" and refused to go a peg. The General said he was a Democrat, and he'd be damned if he stirred a step. He and his wife together weigh about twenty-five pounds.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

Numerous Petitions Presented in the State Senate.

Senator Paul Makes a Lengthy Report of the Text Book Question.

A Bill to Amend the Constitution in Relation to the Liquor Traffic.

Other Business Done in the Two Houses.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Special to the Gazette.
MADISON, Jan. 30.—In the Senate numerous petitions were offered in behalf of the prohibition of the liquor traffic.

For amending in system of letting prison labor by contract.

For a rigorous tramp law.

Senator Paul, of the State Text Book Commission, presented a report of that Board. The report is an able and exhaustive historical and statistical treatise on the subject, and the conclusion is reached that uniformly in common schools is the demand of the hour, both as a measure of economy to tax payers and parents, and for the improvement and equalization of educational standard and methods. The commissioners report the form of bill "to cheapen the cost of text books."

Its purpose is expressed in its title, and it seeks to accomplish that purpose, first by encouraging uniformity without arbitrary enforcement; second, by ensuring to people of the State in the purchase of text books the advantage which naturally and properly pertains to all purchases made in gross; third, by introducing and maintaining under the State authority and regulations, the principle of competition on the part of book publishers, offering text books for use of schools in this State; and fourth by affording to home talent and home capital the same opportunity for supplying our people with acceptable text books, that is now afforded to authors, and publishers residing without the State. The Board also present an extended and vigorous report on the question of spelling reform entrusted to them. They urge a radical reform in English orthography, but deem it advisable to wait until some more practical method than is now obtained is evolved, and a dictionary printed on the principles thereof. When such a dictionary is issued the State is to furnish officials and teachers with copies, and recommend its speedy use in the State school work, and all official documents. The spelling reform report is one of the most exhaustive treatises on the subject ever written, and is chiefly the result of the careful study and research given the matter by Senator George H. Paul, of Milwaukee.

Senator Price introduced a joint resolution providing for an amendment to the State constitution forever prohibiting liquor traffic.

Bills were introduced relative to real estate executions.

Appropriating one thousand dollars to the State Horticultural Society.

Providing for an Asylum for Chronic Insane.

Regulating the charges by railroad, telegraph and express companies.

In the Assembly a number of petitions in relation to liquor traffic.

Bills were introduced relating to appeals and miscellaneous provisions of practice. Detaching certain territory from Marathon and attaching it to Clark county.

Relating to insurance corporations.

To State militia.

Amending the law of assessment of property.

A large list of bills amending the Revised Statutes relating to matters of practice.

Memorial to Congress praying for an extension of time to the Northern Pacific railroad to complete its line in Wisconsin and west to Puget Sound.

In memory of Assemblyman John Potter, Jr., of Menasha, who died here yesterday. Both houses adjourned till tomorrow morning, and united in procession at 11 A. M., accompanying the remains to the depot. A joint committee of five were appointed to accompany the body to Menasha where it will be interred to-morrow.

The National Complaint.

Dyspepsia is the national complaint. Almost every other man or woman you meet has it, and the result is that the number of pseudo-remedies for it is as numerous as Pharaoh's host. They are for the most part worthless. There is, however, a searching eradicator of this distressing and obdurate malady, one whose genuine merits long since raised it to a foremost place among the staple medicines of America. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, extirpates dyspepsia with greater certainty and promptitude than any known remedy, and is a most genial invigorant, appetizer and aid to secretion. These are not empty assertions, as thousands of our countrymen and women who have experienced its effects are aware, but are backed up by irrefragable proofs repeatedly laid before the public. The Bitters also promote a regular habit of body and give a healthful stimulus to the urinary organs.

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BRIEFLETS.

Sloppy.
January almost gone.
The church folk pray to-night.
The weather has a chill every morning.

Old Sol is the best sidewalk cleaner, after all.

The coal bins now have a better show for holding their own.

County Treasurer Miles left this afternoon for Madison with cash to pay the State tax of Rock County.

Oughlin's fellow who begs the last chew of fine cut in your box be called a successful tobacco stripper?

Justice Balch tied a matrimonial knot this morning by which William Roffel and Anna Gundell united their destinies.

Mrs. Rev. F. L. Chapell has gone to Chicago for a few days to take further medical advice concerning her health.

Mr. Cannon to-day let the mason work of his new building, to Rotherham & Andrews, and the wood work to Carls Brown.

There will be a social dance given by the Janesville Grange, No. 101, at the Grange hall, town of Janesville, on Friday evening, January 31.

An exchange says "Don't mention it." We don't know whether "men-shun" it or not, but judging from the contents we should think they would.

The Georgia Minstrels managed to get to Madison from here and played there Monday night to a thin house. The Madison papers punch the show with a sharp stick.

A feline veteran, who was struck on the head by a flying boot-jack, while giving a wood-shed serenade the other night has concluded that the night air isn't healthy.

Marshal Keating is still very dangerously sick, but to-day his condition is slightly improved, which will be gratifying news to many of his friends who have heard the rumors that he was much worse.

If the merchants would pull in their empty boxes and barrels at night, it would tend greatly to increase the physical development of the youth of the city. They would have to use their legs more.

Low Benedict's Troubadours will be at the Opera house next Wednesday evening. They promise a pleasing entertainment, and will present a varied programme, which will doubtless attract a large crowd.

Mr. and Mrs. George Barnes gave a pleasant party last evening to about forty of their friends. The gathering was a happy one, and nothing was lacking to complete the enjoyment of all who participated.

Tom Austin is now fattening forty head of as fine cattle as ever stepped hoof on Rock county soil. Yesterday he purchased of Heimstreet, the druggist, a ton of oil cake for helping along the flesh-making process.

A tramp giving his name as Sam Ellis was hovering about the depot yesterday, and he fingered so suspiciously about a farmer's pocket, that he was nabbed as a member of the light-fingered dragoons. The evidence was too weak to hold him for picking pockets, but on the charge of vagrancy he was yesterday afternoon sentenced to thirty days in jail.

After considerable correspondence with manufacturers of electrical apparatus, an offer has been received, by which mechanical strikers for our engine house bells will be furnished to ring fire alarms, at six hundred and fifty dollars per bell. The committee in charge of the \$45 appropriation will not connect the two engine houses with that style of alarm this week.

Rev. Mr. Scates has consented to grant the request of his many friends and will deliver a lecture in the Young Men's Association rooms next Monday night, the admission being fifteen cents. His subject will be "The Sufferings of the Colored People by the Ku Klux in 1867 and 1868." Mr. Scates has had some personal experiences which he will relate in connection with the subject.

Fred Putnam is in the city greeting friends. He has been skrimishing through the State hunting up some boys who had skipped from the Industrial School at Waukesha. He succeeded in capturing them and returning them safely, so that now his father, Captain Putnam, has a clear record, there being no escaped inmates to report during the two years he has had charge of that institution. The boys are now pretty well satisfied that it is useless for them to run away.

The Opera house was unusually warm when Dillon arrived here. It appears that when Dillon arrived at the Myers house the other night, he stepped up to Martin Dunn, the clerk, and after shaking hands, and registering, said, "Well, poor Pete is dead." Myers, who was sitting near by looked up in astonishment, and Martin said, "Why, no, you're mistaken. Mr. Myers is alive yet." "Oh, no, he ain't," quoth the funny John, "he died a year or more ago. He was found frozen to death in the Opera house." The house was warm that night.

THE WEATHER.

The thermometer at 7 o'clock this morning stood at 24 degrees above and at 9 o'clock this afternoon at 43 degrees above. Clear. One year ago to-day at corresponding hours the thermometer stood at 22 and 35 degrees above.

INDUSTRY FOR GIRLS.

Mrs. C. M. Baker read a paper before the ladies of All Souls Society, yesterday afternoon, entitled "A Plea for the Invalids," which in depth of Christian tenderness and humanitarian instincts commanded universal approval. Such words might be fully spoken in all our churches. Steps were also taken to organize an Industrial school in connection with the church to be held on Saturday afternoon, in the S. S. Rooms. The girls are to be taught plain sewing, plain knitting, patching, darning and cutting. Mrs. C. S. Jackson was elected matron and the school will be started soon.

OBITUARY.

HON. JAMES H. KNOWLTON.

The Chicago Journal of last evening brings us the sad intelligence of death of Hon. James H. Knowlton.

Judge Knowlton was well known by the old residents of this city. He came to this city prior to 1843, and commenced the practice of his profession here. He remained here until about 1847, when he removed to St. Louis in this State, where he continued to reside until 1856, when he purchased the residence now occupied by Hon. A. Hyatt Smith, and returned to this city. He continued to reside here until the autumn of 1862 when he removed to Chicago. He became a member of the firm of Knowlton, Prichard & Jackson, on the first day of June, 1858, and continued the senior member of that firm, and of the firm of Knowlton & Jackson, until his removal to Chicago. Judge Knowlton was for many years, prior to his removal to Chicago, one of the leading lawyers of this State. In the proceedings for the impeachment of the Hon. Levi Hubbell, Judge Knowlton was one of the attorneys for Judge Hubbell. He was also one of the attorneys for Governor Bashford in his *starrato* proceedings against Governor Barstow for usurping the office of Governor of this State. In 1863 he was a candidate against Judge Oramus Cole for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. He was a member of the Assembly for Lafayette county in 1856, and for this city in 1858. In the session of 1858 he was Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, and Chairman of the special committee appointed to investigate the alleged fraud and corruption in the disposal of the land grants of 1856.

On his removal to Chicago, Judge Knowlton took a high rank in his profession in that city, and so long as his failing health permitted his attention to business, he had a large practice.

Judge Knowlton was a self made man, and won his way to the highest rank in his profession by his great industry and perseverance. His mind was incisive and vigorous, and was well stored with much learning outside of his profession. He was well read in his profession, and was indefatigable in his preparation for the trial of his cases. He was kind, sympathetic and generous, and in his relations with his professional brethren was always courteous. A large circle of friends in this State will mourn his loss.

"CRANKY BILL."

"Cranky Bill," of Chicago, struck the town to-day. He is known as the editor of "The Thunderbolt," a paper which has been issued in Chicago for some months, but which has been suppressed of late, because of the thunderbolts which it hurled at those in high places. "Cranky Bill" is a genius in his way. His theory of journalism is that its mission should be to show up wrong-doing and not to compliment any worthy person or enterprise. Anything that is good in his opinion needs no journalistic send-off. That isn't what papers should be printed for. Their mission is to show up rascality. He put his theory into practice in Chicago, but while it surprised everybody by its originality, yet it didn't seem to meet with favor among those who were the targets of his thunderbolts, and this mighty Jove had to come down from his throne. He languished in jail for a few days on what he terms trumped up charges of libel, or something of the sort, but was released, and is now looking about for a new venture. He's a character. He boasts of being the best known man in Chicago, and is now steering toward the northwest with the intention of surprising the people of Minnesota. To-day he dropped into the Gazette office and scratched off the following, which is given to the readers as a benefit:

MY TRAMP.

He had a far off distant look,
I met him at the door,
Upon his weather-beaten face
A woeful look he wore.
He spoke of destination
And told a fearful tale,
How he had drifted thither
Blown by misfortune's gale.
He pictured a wife and family,
Who, starving, were at home,
While he, poor wretch, in misery
In quest of work did roam.
My heart was touched to pity
As I listened to his yarn,
And it flattered me to think I had found
A man to work my farm.
So pointing to my shoulder
To an ax and sawback there,
Likewise my winter's cordwood pile
I bid him not to spare.
Alas! said he, I'm weakened
With hunger's fearful pain,
If I only had a square meal
I'd be a man again.
I took him in the house,
I sat him in a chair,
And quickly by my wife
Said square meal to prepare.
I then sat down and watched him
As tears rolled down his cheeks;
He said that such a meal as this,
He had not had for weeks.
And when he had well eaten,
Almost to overflow,
He quietly rose from off his chair,
And remarked that he must go.
I said before you leave me,
You for your meal must work.
He said he scorned to stoop so low,
He much preferred to shrink.
My wife turned to anger,
Yes I added God to damn,
My neighbors saw the last they saw,
He through my yard did sail,
As my foot it came in contact
Underneath of his coat tail.

CRANKY BILL,
Late of the Thunderbolt, Chicago.

WONDERFUL JOATS.

Justice Balch to-day decided the Bohemian oat case, of Mills vs. Springer. The latter, it appears, gave an order for ten bushels of these famous oats, for which he was to give his note for \$100, or \$10 a bushel, with the understanding that he was to sow the oats next spring, and in the coming fall was to pay for the seed in the same kind of oats at \$7.50 a bushel, if he preferred to do so rather than pay in cash. Last fall the seed oats were drawn to his place, the \$100 worth being in only three bags. Springer, who had been thinking the matter over, had previously to this countermanded the order he had given and refused to receive the oats or give his note, and this suit was accordingly brought. Springer claimed that he did not read the order

which he signed, and did not understand its contents. Justice Prichard decided in favor of the defendant.

THE PRISONER'S FRIEND.

Last evening a goodly number gathered in the Court Street church to consider the life and character of John Howard, "the philanthropist and prisoner's friend." Mrs. Wilmart gave a carefully prepared paper on his influence upon prison reforms. Mr. M. M. Phelps read a paper on the condition of prisons in the eighteenth century, which embraced many facts of interest. The personal traits of John Howard were treated, and an informal discussion followed including many points of special interest to those who had posted up on the evening's subject. Miss Lizzie Blinn sang a ballad which was greeted with cheers, and the evening closed with a paper on Thomas Edwards, the most wonderful naturalist of Scotland, and whose life reads rather like a romance than an "o'er true tale." The evening's exercises were profitable and entertaining, and a brief season of social chat served as a happy cap-sheaf to the enjoyment. The next meeting will be two weeks from last evening and the subject selected is Aaron Burr. The Court Street Literary Society has had a sufficient number of eyeing gatherings now to ensure the success and permanency of the organization and the studies have thus far been increasing in interest.

LOCAL MATTERS.

KING'S BOOKSTORE, NEXT DOOR TO THE POSTOFFICE.

Chew Jackson's Best Sweet Navy Tobacco.

Time is money, but health is happiness. If you have a bad cold or cough, use Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup, it will cure you. 25 cents and \$1 a bottle. Sold by A. J. Roberts. Jan 27, d.w.

It Stopped the Cough!

From the Hon. James Ross, Grand Lecturer I. O. G. T. W.

I take great pleasure in giving testimony to the efficacy of Hale's Cough Cordial in easily curing a persistent cough and catarrh. For a month while engaged nightly in public speaking, I had suffered with an annoying cough which stubbornly resisted the various cough remedies that I had taken. Through the advice of friends I fortunately gave Hale's Cough Cordial a trial, when my coughing ceased at once, and the following day I had done my work complete, and I felt all right. The first dose went directly to the cold spot in my lungs, and in the midst of a general warmth and perspiration the stubborn cough seemed to dissolve. In gratitude and esteem, I am Yours truly, JAMES ROSS.

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NOTICE is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that in view of the condition of public affairs, the price of the rooms to the guests in the VILAS HOUSE will be as follows:

On the first floor per day	\$3.00
On the second floor	2.50
On the third floor	2.00
On the fourth floor	1.50

All rooms above the fourth floor..... Free

Mrs. A. W. Waterman is continued as matron and housekeeper of the establishment, and cannot be excelled in her department by any lady in America.

The location of the House and its recent improvements excels any other in the beautiful city of Madison. The table will continue as it has been in the past, the best in the northwest. For further particulars, ladies and gentlemen, call and see for yourselves.

J. VAN ETTA, Proprietor.
Madison, Nov. 1st, 1896. nov1dms

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COMMERCIAL.

JANESVILLE MARKET.

REPORTED FOR THE GAZETTE BY RUMF & GRAY GRAIN AND PRODUCE DEALERS.

JANESVILLE, January 29

Receipts of grain have been light during the past week, and the market with the exception of barley, has ruled steady. Wheat in good demand and salable at 52 1/2 cents, for milling spring and 45 1/2 cents for the lower grades. Barley in dull and tending downward. We quote good to best samples at 40 1/2 cents, and common to fair quality, 32 1/2 cents; Corn and Oats in demand at quotations:

Flour—Patent \$1.00 per sack; winter, \$1.25; Minnesota \$1.45 per sack; Wisconsin, 50c per sack. St. Louis winter, \$1.40 per sack.
Buckwheat—Dull, at 30 1/2 cents, per 52 lbs.
Rye Flour—\$1.50 per 100 lbs.
Wheat—Good best milling spring 52 1/2 cents shipping grades 45 1/2 cents.
Barley—Dull at 32 1/2 cents per bushel.
Wheat Bran—50c per 100; \$8.00 per ton; Buckwheat bran 90c per 100 lbs; per ton \$5.00.
Meal—Coarse, 60c per 100; bolted \$1.00 per 100. FEED—60c per 100 lbs.
Monkeys—50¢ per 100 lbs. Ton \$10

Condition.

Rye—in good request at 37 1/2 cents.

Barley—at 40 1/2 cents for good to best sam-

ples, per 50 lbs, and for common to fair quality at 25 1/2 cents.

Corn—shelled per 60 lbs, 23 1/2 cents; ear 22 1/2 cents for 75 lbs.

Oats—good local and shipping demand, white at 17 1/2 cents; mixed 15 1/2 cents.

Ground Feed—60c per 100 lbs. Ton \$11

Timothy Seed—75¢ \$1.00 for 46 lbs according to quality.

Clover Seed—fair demand at \$3.00 \$3.30 per bushel.

Potatoes—Peach blows, 55¢ per bushel, other varieties 45¢ per bushel.

Butter—Choice, 14¢ per lb; good supply, at 13 1/2 cents.

Eggs—good demand at 18 1/2 cents; 19 doz.

Hens—Green, 20¢; call 18¢ per 100; Dry, 12¢ per 100; Wool ranges at 25¢ per 100; 1/4 off for unwashed.

Swiss Cheese—Range at 40¢ per lb each.

Dressed Hogs—range at 3 00 \$3.20 per 100 lbs for light and heavy.

Lard Stock—Cattle \$3.00 \$3.75 per 100 lbs; Hogs 2 60 \$2.85 per 100 lbs.

Poultry—Turkeys 72¢; Chickens 52¢.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, January 29

Flour—dull and quiet but steady.

Wheat—Market, firm; opened 1/2 cent lower, and closed firm; No 1 Milwaukee, hard 96 cents; No 1 Milwaukee, 91 cents; No 2 Milwaukee, 86 1/2 cents; January, 86 1/2 cents; February, 86 1/2 cents; March, 87 1/2 cents; No 3 Milwaukee, at 71 1/2 cents; and No 4 Milwaukee, at 62 1/2 cents; and rejected at 55 1/2 cents.

CORN—No 2 29 1/2

OATS—No 2 19 1/2

RYE—No 2 42 1/2

BARLEY—No 2 spring cash, 73 1/2 cents; March, 74 1/2 cents; February 73 1/2 cents.

PORK—mess cash now, \$9.40

DRESSED HOGS—\$3.95

LARD—prime steam \$3.35

CATTLE—Range at 3 55, 4 37 according to quality and grade.

LIVE HOGS—3 25 1/2

SHEEP—Range at 3 50 to 4 00 according to condition and weight.

SEEDS—Timothy 1 05 1/2 15; fax 1 20; clover 3 60

BEANS—1 25

BUTTER—Range from 16 1/2 to 20.

EGGS—22 1/2 cents fresh.

CHEESE—22 1/2 cents.

HONEY—for comb, 15¢; for strained, 5¢ per lb.

WOOL—Washed 27 1/2 cents; unwashed 18 1/2 cents washed 20 1/2 cents; pulled 21 1/2 cents.

TALLOW—54 1/2

HOPS—New 12 1/2 cents, old 10¢

Chicago Market.

Special to the Gazette.

OCTOBER, Jan. 30

WHEAT—No 2 spring wheat, cash, 86 cents; February at 80 1/2 cents; March at 87 1/2 cents; No 3, spring wheat, cash, at 70 1/2 cents.

CORN—No 2 cash, 31 cents; February 31 1/2 cents; March, at 31 1/2 cents.

BARLEY—Extra No. 2 cash, 44 1/2 cents.

PORK—cash now, \$9.30

LARD—cash \$6 27 1/2

LIVE HOGS—3 25 1/2 according to grade.

WILKIN—1.01

HOPS—9 1/2 1/2

HONEY—Good choice new comb in boxes are 12 1/2 cents.

BEESWAX—25 1/2 cents 13 1/2 cents per lb, according to quality.

SUGAR—Granulated, 9 1/2 1/2 cents; Standard A 8 1/2 1/2 cents.

CHEESE—72 1/2 5 1/2 1/2 cents according to quality.

EGGS—Fresh 22 1/2

BUTTER—24 1/2 15 1/2 cents according to quality—choice, 27 1/2 cents.

POULTRY—turkeys dressed, 20¢; alive, 6¢; chickens alive, at 1 75 23 1/2 per dozen, and dressed at 6 1/2 to 7 1/2

BEANS—Good medium \$1.40 1 50 per bushel and lavys 1 50 1 25

BROOM CORN—4 1/2 1/2 3 1/2 1/2 cents, according to quality.

FEATHERS—Prime live geese, 35¢ per lb; live duck, 25¢ per lb.

TALLOW—54 1/2 1/2 No 1

WOOL—Washed 25 1/2 1/2; unwashed 18 1/2 1/2; tub washed, fair to good, 30 1/2 1/2

AMUSEMENT.

Myers Opera House!

MONDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 3d.

By request of many prominent citizens of this city,

J. R. MOODY,

The Humorist, professionally known as

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KING OF FIRE!

Will give one of his unrivaled entertainments.

Ladies once witnessing this entertainment, wish to see it again; this is a noticeable feature, and a most commendable one. Everything connected with it commends itself to the kind consideration of the intelligent, amusement loving public.

Cards of admission, - - - - - 15c

Children, - - - - - 10c

Gentlemen and lady, - - - - - 25c

Reserved seats - - - - - 30c

Right tickets - - - - - \$1.00

N.B.—Owing to the low price of admission there will be no free list.

Jan 29, 1897

Myers Opera House!

One Night Only

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5th.

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AND SPECIALTY TROUPE!

Leading Stars 122

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In a new and original programme, endorsed by the Press and Public as the finest entertainment in existence. For further particulars see bills and posters. Admission 25c, 50c, 75c. Reserved seats at Moseley's. Jan 30, 1897

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS

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A Good Girl!

To do General House Work. Enquire at 44 North Jackson street. Jan 30, 1897

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A FRESH SUPPLY OF THE AMERICAN Breakfast Cereals, Oat Meal, White Wheat, and Barley. These Goods are Steam Cooked and require only 30 minutes cooking to prepare them for the table. For sale at DENNISTON'S.

RICE FLOUR, BARLEY FLOUR,

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Our Entire Stock of Standard Prints, 5 Cents per yard.

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Full lines of Cardinal, Light Blues, Browns and all the leading colors in A 1 quality opened this morning at 15 cents per skein by

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A splendid grade of Unbleached Sheetting 5 cents per yard.

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For Skirts just opened by

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Large lines of choice new styles of Dress Goods in very desirable fabrics just received and marked to sell at 8 to 10 cents per yard.

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Reduced 25 per cent. below cost to close out. Felt Hats 40 cents, sold everywhere else at 60 cents. Great bargains in every variety of millinery fabrics. Call and see

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In all Colors, Shades, and qualities at

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